APPENDIX.

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
OCTOBER TERM, 1941

No. --------

W. D. HADEN COMPANY,

Petitioner,

v.

THE MATHIESON ALKALI WORKS, INC.,

Respondent.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
WASHINGTON

January 9, 1942

MR. JOHN C. BLAIR,
BLAIR, CURTIS AND HAYWARD,
60 East 42d St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Blair:

In reply to your telephone inquiry regarding lime made from oyster shells, several companies use shells as raw material for lime manufacture. There are 4 or 5 small operators in Virginia and Louisiana that use shells for mak-

ing limited quantities of agricultural lime for local use. The larger producers are located near the Gulf of Mexico and the Pacific Coast. One company operating near Oakland, Calif., makes lime from shells on a large scale in connection with its output of sea-water products.

Most of the large producers of lime from shells are in coastal area bordering the Gulf of Mexico. The Haden Lime Company, of Houston, Texas, was the pioneer in this industry. The company developed a process for making high-grade chemical lime by calcining oyster shells in a rotary kiln, and began operation of the first plant to employ this process in 1929. Subsequently several other companies began production of lime from shells in the Gulf Coast region.

I trust that the information given herein will be useful to you.

Very truly yours,

OLIVER BOWLES,
Assistant Chief,
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